

ABSTRACT

A unit (1) for transferring articles (1) from a machine (MI) for producing these articles to a packaging machine (MA), includes a plurality of means (4a) for receiving said articles (1a), said receiving means (4a) being situated between an outlet station (3) of said producing machine (MI) and an inlet station (6) of said packaging machine (MA); the receiving means (4a) are arranged at a variable distance from one another and move alternatively between a first working configuration (A), in which the receiving means (4a) are moved closer to each other, in order to be situated in the region of, and in registry with, said outlet station (3) of the producing machine (MI), so as to receive said articles (1a), and a second working configuration (B), in which the receiving means (4a) are moved far from each other, in order to be situated in the region of, and in registry with, said inlet station (6) of the packaging machine (MA), so as to transfer the articles (1a) to the inlet station (6).